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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant wishes to bring the following items to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each document is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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The following documents are cited in the specification of the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 06-102453 (KONICA CORP), published April 15, 1994;
- (2) Nozaki et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,225,927, issued July 6, 1993;
- (3) Abe et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,694,244, issued December 2, 1997; and
- (4) Kanai, U.S. Patent No. 6,035,145, issued March 7, 2000.

Applicant also wishes to bring the following documents to the attention of the Examiner:


- (5) Nozaki et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,992,809, issued February 12, 1991;
- (6) Kikuchi, U.S. Patent No. 5,028,125, issued July 2, 1991; and

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- (7) U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/086,029, filed May 28, 1998, by Ichiro KASAI, and entitled "ZOOM OPTICAL SYSTEM".

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